

Clean and Beautiful Committee
Draft Minutes
October 8, 2015

Committee Members Present:

Gandarva Darling
Samadhi Ishaya
Lisa Rene Jones
David McEwen
Jody Rushton-Porter
Misty Smith

Excused Members:

Karen Lang
Craig Thomas

Absent Members:

Mathew Lovato
Allen Pierce
Teri-Mae Pierce

Staff Members Present:

Cathie Alberico

Quorum present.

Jody Rushton-Porter called the regular Clean & Beautiful meeting of October 8, 2015 to order at 5:44 p.m. in West Valley City Hall, Room 230.

Vacancies- have three openings on the Committee

Contacted all of the people that showed interest in Committee at Awards reception, also invited them to the Retreat, to no avail

Consider inviting your friends and neighbors, should apply to join on line.

Go to wvc.ut.gov (home page), click on Boards and Committees, bottom, left-hand side- click on Volunteer for Board/Commission Position, takes you to a simple online application

Projects

Triangle at CPB- completed. Thank You!

September 19, 2015, laid weed barrier, we had 10 volunteers, 11 man-hours volunteered that day. Easy process to lay barrier, Lisa Rene Jones continued to weed the grounds around the CPB until noon, which brought the man-hours up to 13.5 volunteered

We had full support of the Parks and Recreation Department, they removed maple trees, did prep work, planted new trees before the gravel was laid September 25, 2015- 30 ton of crushed gravel that Committee purchased was delivered to City Park

September 26, 2015- stars were in alignment, we had over 40 volunteers, actual number much higher, signup table busy, everyone showed up to work at the same time. Youth City Council volunteered also had a group from Smith's Food and Drug store at 5600 W and 4100 S. Great group of volunteers from Hunter Hills Hispanic Ward, organizer had assignments for the men and assignments for women and children. Men spread the rocks, women and children accomplished a wonderful cleanup of the park, the grounds around CPB- picked up trash, trimmed tree suckers, pulled weeds etc. Kelly Simper from Parks moved the gravel with a huge John Deere front loader. When everything was said and done

CPB and City Park looked wonderful. Director of Community Preservation, Layne Morris, complimented committee on appearance. Kent M. Jensen, Parks and Rec extended his appreciation to the Committee, the gravel has made area easier to maintain. The new trees are doing well. He was very thankful, and excellent to work with. Over 64 man-hours were volunteered to complete the Triangle project. Misty Smith: Rain received in past few days has washed the rock nicely; looks different than the day it was laid. Placed signs when finished "Project completed by the Clean & Beautiful Committee.

4100 South 4100 West-southwest corner- work in progress, need letter from the legal department, Committee needs permission to go on homeowner's property, David McEwen also suggested cleanup sidewalk, over hanging, apple tree has dropped fruit

Wreath Decorating- Saturday October 17, 2015, PR Offices, 8:30 a.m. Craig has purchased a few supplies and has a vision will also use decorations used in the past. If attending bring snacks to share if you would like, should be fast project JRP: UEA weekend, will be out of town

Holiday Decorating-City Hall, Saturday November 21, 2015, 8:30 a.m. Lobby Decorate outside tree, weather permitting, Lobby tree and other decorations, Very fun activity, **may take up to 3.5 hours; plan on potluck**, adds to fun, don't bring too much, anyone is welcome to come and help

Budget-No updates

Community Outreach Tools

Opportunity to publish "Yard Clippings," in City Newsletter, articles can be submitted anytime, publish date-first day of the month

Other Business

Flagpoles: Misty researched. Colonial Flag-877-941-3524; online company-UnitedStatesFlag.com, sells accessories, free shipping over \$75-MS purchased telescoping pole for her home United States Flag
Fairbourne Station was discussed for placement of poles
Different sizes, different costs; size of pole help determines size of flag, SLC, UT area needs pole rated for at least 90mph winds, higher rating than most residential flagpoles, residential flagpoles won't last as long as commercial poles
Sold: 20'-25'-maximum size of flag-5'x 8'; 30'-35';
40'-50'-maximum size of flag 6'x10'
60'-80' maximum size of flag 8'x12' – see at car dealerships
Committee needs to decide on height of flagpole, as visibility of flag determined by size, residential flags are usually 4'x6' or 5'x8', costs varies between \$300-\$400/pole includes flag, can go as high as \$1,000 with all the bells and whistles; Prices vary: based on finish; internal- more secure, rope lasts longer or external rope-less expensive; different bases; lighting-solar? Will require concrete base

DM: suggested a commercial pole rather than a residential pole
LRJ: consider cost of replacing U.S. Flag; factor those costs in to maintain flags
How many poles? How many flags to display? Can more than one flag be displayed on a pole?

CA: **Will research official City flag**, may become another project to work with Parks and Rec

Is this a project Committee wants to consider for the next year? Invest our budget wisely; recognize Committee with "Donated by C&B..."

MS: While out and about observe flagpoles for heights, look at public buildings, library, and schools

CA: **Excellent agenda item for next meeting**. Thank you, Misty for taking the time to research flagpoles and presentation to Committee, the information is thought provoking and helpful for Craig and I.

JRP: Have we heard any more information about the "Boy Scout monument," in City Park? At a past meeting Karen Lang that after contacting the Scouts, they would take care of it. Committee response: nothing has been done, looks worse, has been painted or something- ugly brown bricks

Would be nice to get something done before next year's sports start up again, baseball, football etc. attract a lot of visitors, well used park, eyesore if parking in CPB parking lot

CA: **Members- Continue to research your passions i.e.:** recycle and garbage cans, contact Granite Schools-what company used for trash pick up, do they recycle?

CA: Committee volunteer hours since June, not including yard award judging: 145 hours- thank you committee!

Many park marquee signs, and Welcome to West Valley City, flowerbeds still look nice.

Having no other business to discuss, Jody adjourned the meeting at 6:21 p.m.